No. 96-6133-CFH Title: William Bracy, Petitioner

v.

CAPITAL CASE Richard B. Gramley, Warden

Docketed: Court: United States Court of Appeals for

September 27, 1996 the Seventh Circuit

Mar 21 1997

Mar 21 1997

Mar 31 1997

Apr 7 1997

Apr 14 1997

Entry Date Proceedings and Orders

Sep 24 1996 Petition for writ of certiorari and motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis filed. (Response due November 1, 1996) Order extending time to file response to petition until Oct 29 1996 November 1, 1996. Brief of respondent Richard B. Gramley, Warden in opposition Nov 8 1996 filed. DISTRIBUTED. December 6, 1996 Nov 21 1996 REDISTRIBUTED. December 13, 1996 Dec 9 1996 REDISTRIBUTED. January 3, 1997 Dec 30 1996 Jan 6 1997 REDISTRIBUTED. January 10, 1997 Petition GRANTED. Limited to the following question: Jan 10 1997 Whether a habeas petitioner who was convicted of a capital offense and sentenced to death in a trial before a judge who admittedly accepted bribes in other contemporaneous criminal cases is entitled to discovery to support his claim that he was denied the right to a trial before an impartial judge. The brief of petitioner is to be filed with the Clerk and served upon opposing counsel on or before 3 p.m., Friday, February 21, 1997. The brief of respondent is to be filed with the Clerk and served upon opposing counsel on or before 3 p.m., Friday, March 21, 1997. A reply brief, if any, may be filed with the Clerk and served upon opposing counsel on or before 3 p.m., Monday, April 7, 1997. Rule 29.2 does not apply. SET FOR ARGUMENT April 14, 1997. *************** Motion of petitioner for appointment of counsel filed. Jan 24 1997 DISTRIBUTED. February 14, 1997 (Page 41) Jan 29 1997 Joint appendix filed. Feb 11 1997 Motion for appointment of counsel GRANTED and it is Feb 18 1997 ordered that Gilbert H. Levy, Esquire, of Seattle, Washington is appointed to serve as counsel for the petitioner in this case. Record filed. Feb 18 1997 Brief of petitioner William Bracy filed. Feb 19 1997 Brief amicus curiae of Concerned Illinois Lawyers and Law Feb 21 1997 Professors filed. Feb 28 1997 CIRCULATED.

Brief of respondent Richard B. Gramley, Warden filed.

Brief amici curiae of California, et al. filed.

Reply brief of petitioner William Bracy filed.

Record filed.

ARGUED.